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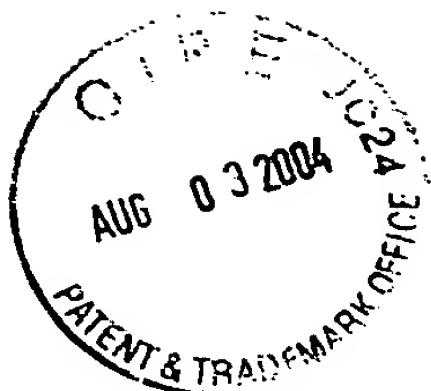
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Application Number: 09/800,284)
Filed: November 29, 2000)
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REDUCING WORK MACHINE)
NOISE BASED ON LOCATION)
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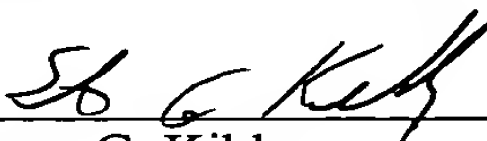
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Sir:

According to our records, a Provisional Application was filed on November 29, 2000, Application No. 60/253,964. Applicants then filed a Request for Conversion of a Provisional Application to a Non-Provisional Application on March 6, 2001, for the above-identified application. Applicants have received a "Response to Request for Corrected Filing Receipt" dated October 24, 2003, however, since that date, have received no other documentation.

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